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Michigan Municipal League Honors Jase Bolger

Speaker of the House Named 2011 Legislator of the Year

GRAND RAPIDS, Michigan (Oct. 6, 2011) – The Michigan Municipal League announced today that Michigan Speaker of the House Jase Bolger, R-Marshall, as the 2011 Legislator of the Year.

Bolger was honored for his work with the League in multiple Legislative reforms. Early in 2011, League staff met with Speaker Bolger to discuss important reform issues critical to League membership. When the legislature took its summer break, nearly all of those issues were completed and crossed off the list. Included in those critical reforms were changes to PA 312 - the law governing contract disputes between local units of government and public safety unions.

"For 40 years this law has been un-amendable, and with the steadfast leadership of Speaker Bolger we were finally able to make much-needed changes that will protect taxpayers and keep public safety officers on the street," said Michigan Municipal League Executive Director and CEO Dan Gilmartin.

More information:

- For additional Convention-related press releases, go here.
- For photos from Convention, go to the League's flickr page here.

About the MML

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